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Museum Kicks Off Harriet Tub man Centennial with New Exhibition

WHAT: As part of the Maryland statewide commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the passing of Harriet Tubman, the Reginald F. Lewis Museum of Maryland African American History & Culture presents *Homage to Harriet*, an art exhibition with works inspired by her life and legacy, selected from an open õCall for Artists.ö

Homage to Harriet features a range of media, including photography, paintings, sculpture, and video. Artist Tina Martin Wyatt, a descendant of Tubman, celebrates Tubmanøs legacy in her mixed media work. Photographer David Allen Harris honors his ancestor, Frank Wanzer, who was an Underground Railroad conductor and contemporary of Tubman. Also on view are works by Bruce McNeil, Alyscia Cunningham, and filmmaker Pierre Bennu, among more than 15 other artists who explore Tubmanøs historical, cultural and spiritual impact.

WHEN: Wednesday, March 6, 2013

9:00 a.m. – Press Preview, with remarks by the artists and the museumos

Executive Director, Dr. A. Skipp Sanders

(Media should RSVP by March 5 to 443-263-1809)

10:00 a.m. ó 5 p.m. Open to public.

WHERE: Reginald F. Lewis Museum, 830 E. Pratt Street, Baltimore, MD 21202

COST: The Press Preview is open to media and interested parties. Museum admission is required

for visitors during public hours, 10:00 a.m. ó 5 p.m.

OTHER: The museum has a full calendar of programs in March to commemorate the centennial.

Please visit us online at www.RFLewisMuseum.org

About the Reginald F. Lewis Museum

The Reginald F. Lewis Museum is Baltimore's premier facility highlighting the history and accomplishments of African Americans with a special focus on Maryland's African American community. A Smithsonian affiliate, the museum is the East Coast's largest African American museum occupying an 82,000 square-foot facility with ample permanent and special exhibition space, interactive learning environments, auditorium, resource center, oral history recording studio, museum shop, café, classrooms, meeting rooms, outside terrace and reception areas. The museum is located near Baltimore's Inner Harbor at the corner of Pratt and President Streets. For more information, please call 443-263-1800 or visit **RFLewisMuseum.org**.